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later books, especially where the *Ambrosianus* fails, will appear from the following jottings which I have culled from my notes. The reading given is in each case that found in the *Harleianus*.

VI Prooem. §4: nisi quod (for quam quod). This should be restored to the text, especially as I am able to report that it is also the reading of the Bambergensis (G), as well as of V and S: ibid. § 7 quam for quod (AG). At i, §43, H is the only MS that shows inquit, hitherto credited to the ed. Campana: cf. §47 ita neque (with PV) itaque ne.

V Prooem. §1 gratia (with A) for vel ira. Here the second hand in Bg. has vel gratia. At 4, §1, we have another remarkable instance of reversion to A: altera quaestionem vel falsa A H, where Bg. shows quaestionem written over the words of the text etiam causam. Cf. i. 4, §24: computabo (with A) for putabo: 7, §33 agentibus (with A P) for agendi (B).

Moreover, for the early part of the first book, where the Bambergensis almost entirely fails, H should be quoted in its stead: e.g., Pr. §5 fieri oratorem non posse, §14 sapientiae studiosi, §25 demonstraturi. Again in the Procemium §4 H shows summ $(\bar{a}\ i)$ neloquenti \bar{e} ; the archetype probably had summam eloquentiae, for the passage relied on at x. 1. 97 to support summam in eloquentia is not exactly parallel. At i. 1. 19 H supports the vulgate per singulos annos prorogatum: and gives at i. 2.4: nam et potest turpis esse domesticus ille praeceptor. At i. 3. 14 it has discipulis for discentis.

Radermacher makes generous reference to the labors of his predecessors. He holds fast (Praef., p. vi) to the established division of the MSS into three main families, and gives reasons (p. xi) why A should not always be preferred to B. Moreover, his careful selection of authorities has enabled him very considerably to simplify the critical apparatus. In particular, references to the edd. vett. are now in the main superfluous, as their readings in important places have been traced to one or other of the numerous MSS by which our knowledge of Quintilian's text has become enlarged.

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Renkema's Observationes criticae et exegeticae ad C. Valerii Flacci Argonautica. Traiecti ad Rhenum, 1906. Pp. 63. M. 3.

This pamphlet on Valerius Flaccus' epic comes not inopportunely at no great distance of time from the publication of Giarratano's epochmaking edition of the text (1904). Renkema adds several new emendations to the already large collection recorded by Giarratano. I cannot

honestly say that any of them seems to me convincing, but the discussion of crucial passages which accompanies them is scholarly and suggestive. Renkema naturally deals with many of the points raised by Langen's usually trustworthy commentary (1890), and his criticisms appear to me to raise real questions and to open up solutions which may In other cases his disputation is less to the point and its result unsatisfactory. For instance, it may be true—and probably is that sacrae harenae (iv. 230) can scarcely mean that the shore where Pollux is to fight with Amycus is consecrated because of the religious character of the spectacle; but that is no reason for interpreting sacrae as "accursed." The very similar passage quoted by Renkema (iv. 746) where the shore is called saeuae, suggests that in iv. 230 sacrae is an error for saeuae. The crux in iv. 136 reges preme dure secundos is not likely to be a corruption of rex te premet arte secunda, even if treme is rejected as not sufficiently accounting for secundos. And who can believe that in iv. 366 f. where MSS give Muneris ille potens custodem protinus Argum Adiungit custos Argus placet, we are to substitute acrem for Argum? But at iv. 507 tonuit cum forte Veseui Hesperiae letalis apex, where Langen absurdly believed forte to be an adjectival adverb. Renkema has an excellent discussion on cum forte which he shows from Aen. ix 437, xi. 450 to be especially used in similes and not open to any real doubt in the passage of Valerius.

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Die Eumeniden des Aischylos. Erklärende Ausgabe. Von FRIEDRICH BLASS. Berlin: Weidmann, 1907. Pp. 179. M. 5.

Blass's posthumous *Eumenides* is marked by the terseness, directness, and avoidance of mere erudition which distinguished his *Choephoren* (Class. Philol., Vol. I, p. 440).

The Introduction sets forth clearly how the hero-drama is transformed into a Götterdrama symbolical of the advance from the old to the new moral order. The resemblance of Aeschylus' ideas to those expressed by Plato in the Laws is emphasized. The Areopagus passage is taken as a protest against the reforms of Ephialtes, not as a warning against going farther. Changes of scene take place not only at 1.63 by the eccyclema, and after 1.234 from Delphi to Athens, but by implication from Athena's temple to the Areopagus after 566. The independence of fgh from M is maintained.

Among the more notable readings or interpretations accepted are: 21: εὐλόγως for ἐν λόγοις; 294: οὐ κατηρεφή (notes μὴ) for ή; 304: σκιαῖ for σκιά; 494: νῦν μεταστροφαὶ νέων θεσμίων, ἥ κρατήσει δίκα $\langle \tau \epsilon \rangle$ καὶ β λά β α,